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ATTEMPT OF ASSAULT ON MR VICTOR GENSBURGER, FRENCH

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Central Station,

Date January 28th, 1930.

Subject (in full) ~~Further~~ Report on attempted assault on Mr. Victor Gensburger.

Made by C. D. I. Quayle,

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Sir,

With reference to the report on the attempted assault on Mr. Victor Gensburger made by D. S. Pryde on January 27th, 1930 I beg further to report that at 4 p.m. Mr. Victor Gensburger visited my office at Central Station and reiterated the facts as given by D. S. Pryde. He asked that a warrant be immediately issued against Shibbeth as he was in fear of his life. Shibbeth he stated was a British Subject but he could not inform me whether the B. A. T. Compradore Ching mentioned in D. S. Pryde's report referred to E. Shibbeth or Meyer Shibbeth as the instigator of the attempted assault. I informed him that as he was a French Citizen living in Frenchtown and the attempt had taken place in Frenchtown and all the evidence was in the hands of the French Police it was a matter for them to swear out a warrant at H. B. M. Consulate against whichever Shibbeth had instigated the assault.

He then left the station stating that he would ask the French Police to carry out these instructions.

At about 8-15 p.m. on the same date Gensburger together with French Detectives Cresi and Du Rocher who were accompanied by an interpreter came to my house at 45 Avenue Road and asked me to accompany them to the house of Mr. Morris, the British Police Court Magistrate as they wished to swear out a warrant against Shibbeth.

After questioning all parties I found out that even then they had not established the the identity of the Shibbeth concerned.

I rang up Mr. Morris and explained the whole facts to him and was instructed by him to inform the parties concerned that he could not issue a warrant on the information then available.

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at the same time advising me to consult the Police Advocate on the matter. This I agreed to do.

Whilst at my house Detective Croesi informed me that Ching Zang Yoong, the Compradore of the B. A. T. had made a statement to the French Police to the following effect.

About 2 weeks ago Mr. Shibbeth told him that business was very bad and that he had lost $100,000.00, also that this loss was due to the machimations of the occupant of 51 Rue Massenet.

Shibbeth further told him that he was very angry with this man and wanted to send someone to assault him and that he was willing to pay several hundred dollars in order to engage a number of men to carry out the assault.

The compradore states that at first he had no intention of involving himself in the matter but shortly afterwards he met a man named Sung Wong Pau who wished to borrow $200.00 to carry him over the Chinese New Year.

He refused to lend him the money but at the same time told him of Shibbeth's proposition. Sung Wong Pau did not make any immediate decision on the matter but returned a week later saying he had already sent someone to 51 Rue Massenet to assault the occupant and wanted several hundred dollars after the affair was completed. He also stated that he wanted an immediate advance of $200.00.

As the compradore could not get rid of Sung he telephoned to Shibbeth and asked him if he still wished the assault to be carried out and received a reply in the affirmative, so he left Sung to complete the work.

He admits he was very wrong to have involved himself in the affair. Croesi informed me that the compradore is still in

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custody of the French Police whilst he informed D. S. Pryde that he had been released on bail.

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REPORT

Central Station,

Date January 27th 1930.

Subject (in full) Attempted Assault on Mr. Victor Gensburger.

Made by D. S. 101 Pryde. Forwarded by

At 11-50 p.m., 26th January 1930, P. S. Ramsdale brought to the station one named Zung Lee San (宗李山) who had been handed over to him by Mr. Victor Gensburger, Suite "C", 5th floor, Cathay Hotel. Mr. Gensburger suspected that this man, who is his house boy, was concerned in an attempted assault on him in French Town on the previous evening. D. S. Pryde and C. D. C. 19 Ting Hu Koh interviewed Mr. Gensburger and elicited the following information. Mr. Gensburger is a broker on Shanghai Stock Exchange. At about 4 p.m. on 25th January 1930 Mr. Gensburger called at his house at 51 Rue Massenet French Town where he was distributing the usual " cumsha " to his servants. The chauffeur called him to come downstairs to see three men who were waiting for him in the compound of his house. The chauffuer explained that he thought these men were there for no good. Mr. Gensburger first notified the French Police and then went downstairs to see these men. Two of them ran away and the other was caught by Mr. Gensburger and handed to the French Police. According to Mr. Gensburger the French Police ascertained that these men had been given $30.00 to assault him and if they succeeded they were to be given $200.00. On Sunday 26th January 1930 the boy named Zung Lee San, was stopped on his way to work and asked by an unknown Chinese about the assault on his master the night before. At about 3 p.m. in the afternoon this same boy heard some chauffuers talking about this matter outside Cathay Hotel. On each occasion the boy told Mr. Gensburger of his experiences. At 9-30 p.m. at night the boy was seen talking to 3 Chinese outside Cathay Hotel. He Gensburger then became suspicious of him and after questioning him handed him over to the Police as already mentioned. The boy informed the Police that he was only talking to friends about

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Chinese New Year dinner and stated these were boys at the C. U. A. Building, Bubbling Well Road. His statement was verified and he was allowed to go. Mr. Gensburgers nervious state accounting for his suspicion of the boy. Mr. Gensburger appeared to be in fear, carrying a pistol with him wherever he goes. Enquiries were made at the French Police and it was as ertained that M. Jean Croesi is in charge of the case. It was explained to the undersigned that what Mr. Gensburger had informed us was correct. Also they arrested four men for being concerned in this attempted assault who confessed that they had received the instructions and money from one Ching Zang Yoong a compradore of " B. A. T. ". This man was arrested and stated he was instigated into doing this by one named " Shibbeth" a broker. The French Police had released the compradore on bail and the other four Chinese are detained. That is as far as the case had gone at present. Mr. Gensburger informed the undersigned on the night of 26th January 1930 that this affair was an outcome of the trouble on the stock exchange just prior to Xmas. He also stated that some time previously he had received a parcel with a rope inside and instructions to go and hang himself. Mr. Gensburger gave the names of the following as probably being the instigators of this affair.

Shibbeth, Koojman, Longborg, Ada Law, G. H. Charleston.

Mr. Gensburger wishes the affair kept confidential.

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Senior Det. (C). D. S. Ioi.

I am personally enquiring into this case.
28.1.30.

D. D. C. A.

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ARREST REPORT.

CRIME REGISTER No. —

(One form to be used for each person arrested)

"A" Division
Sanga Police Station.
25-1 1930

Name, age occupation and address of person arrested.	Yung Pan Yo (陸三子) 40, Coolie Unnumbered house on Whitemore Rd.
Arrested by	P.C. P.S. Biggs cdc 170 + French Police
Date and place where arrest took place.	25-1-30 No 465 Nanking Rd.
Crime Register No. of offence for which arrested. (If an arrest for outside authorities details of offence for which arrested).	At 6.30 pm D.S. Guell of the French Police came to the Station and requested assistance to arrest two men named, Yung Pan Yo and Tsen Sian Tsiang at a teashop situated at 465 Nanking Rd, they brought with them one named Wong Ah Tsing who had been arrested by them in Tandlown on a charge of attempted assault on a French subject named Mr. V. Gimbunger at 51 Rue Massenet on 24-1-30 who implicated the two accused. Assistance was rendered by P.C. P.S. Biggs + cdc 170 + the two deemed were arrested at 7.15 pm, they both admitted the offence + were handed over to the French Police H. G. Biggs
Name of Investigating Officer.	P.C. P.S. Biggs + cdc 170.
Details of Senior Detective.	

D.D.O. A.
Bad case needs careful Enquiry before action offer. Discretion advise action.
Case not like this
Report of P.C. P.S. Biggs + cdc 170.
Handed over to French Police
S.P.
See attached report Central reserve Dance remarks opposite. Box

This report is to be forwarded to Headquarters on the morning after arrest.
It will be required for particulars of bank to be completed.
In cases of arrests for outside authorities, no Crime Register Number to be shown.

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Result of further enquiries whilst accused was under remand.	
Further charges against accused.	
Sentence and date.	Handed over to French Police 25-1-30

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ARREST REPORT.

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(One form to be used for each person arrested)

"A" Division
Sanga Police Station.
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Name, age occupation and address of person arrested.	Tsen Sian Tsiang, 23, Boatie (周小祥) 1043 Yangchow Rd.
Arrested by	P.C. P.S. Biggs CDC 170 & French Police
Date and place where arrest took place.	25-1-30 No 465 Nanking Rd.
Crime Register No. of offence for which arrested. (If an arrest for outside authorities details of offence for which arrested).	
Name of investigating officer.	P.C. P.S. Biggs & CDC 170.
Initials of Senior Detective.	

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